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SUBJECT: BUSINESS FACILITATIONS - UNCHAUFFERED CARS

1. AT US-SOVIET BUSINESS FACILITATION MEETING ON DECEMBER 19, EUR/SOV REPRESENTATIVE STATED THAT US WAS NOW PREPARED TO LET LONG TERM SOVIET COMMERCIAL VISITORS DRIVE UNCHAUFFERED CARS IN THE UNITED STATES. PERMISSION WOULD BE GRANTED ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS. THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES WERE HANDED TO THE SOVIET SIDE:

2. BEGIN TEXT. THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE WILL CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR USE OF UNCHAUFFERED VEHICLES BY LONG-TERM SOVIET COMMERCIAL VISITORS, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

A. INDIVIDUAL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING BY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE SPONSORING ORGANIZATION TO EUR/SOV, ROOM 4223, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, D. C. 20016.

B. APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE A FULL DESCRIPTION OF THE VEHICLE AND LICENSE PLATE NUMBER, AS WELL AS THE NAME OF THE SOVIET DRIVER, WHO WILL BE THE ONLY AUTHORIZED OPERATOR OF THE VEHICLE.

C. APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED ONLY IN CASES INVOLVING DEMONSTRABLE HARDSHIP WHICH IS FULL DOCUMENTED IN THE APPLICATION, I.E. LACK OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IN THE AREA OF ASSIGNMENT OR MEDICAL CONDITION OF A DEPENDENT.

D. USE OF UNCHAUFFERED VEHICLES IS PROHIBITED IN "CLOSED AREAS" OF THE UNITED STATES. ALL OTHER TRAVEL IS SUBJECT TO NORMAL PROCEDURES, REQUIRING TWO WORKING DAYS' NOTICE, INCLUDING DETAILED ITINERARIES AND OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS TO EUR/SOV FOR TRAVEL BEYOND A RADIUS OF 25 MILES FROM THE EMPLOYEE'S PLACE OF ASSIGNMENT.

E. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE CONDITIONS WILL RESULT IN PERMANENT REVOCATION OF AUTHORIZATION TO OPERATE UNCHAUF FEREED VEHICLES. END TEXT.

3. AFTER PRESENTING GUIDELINES, WE NOTED THAT EMBASSY MOSCOW HAD TOLD US THAT SOME LONG TERM AMERICAN COMMERCIAL PERSONNEL HAD FOUND IT DIFFICULT TO MAKE TRANSPORTATION ARRANGEMENTS IN CITIES OUTSIDE OF MOSCOW. WE SAID THAT WE WOULD BE SEEKING FURTHER DETAILS IN ORDER TO DISCUSS THIS AT SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS.

4. ACTION SUGGESTED. EMBASSY IS PROBABLY IN BETTER POSITION THAN WASHINGTON AGENCIES TO PURSUE THIS MATTER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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